विभिन्न श्रेणियों में खपाया जा रहा है, खपाये जाने पर वे भी इंडियन एयरलाइन्स के कर्मचारियों को उपलब्ध लाभों और सुविधाओं के पात्र होंगे।

Use of emergency Air Strips

2146. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state that the policy of giving permission to private operators to use World War II Emergency Air Strips, within the perview of the Ministry in the States of Maharashtra and Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): There is only one air strip namely, Sholapur in Maharashtra and three airstrips, namely, Cuddappah, Donakonda and Warangal in Andhra Pradesh belonging to National Airports Authority (NAA), which are lying unused. Airlines are required to approach NAA for starting operations from these airstrips. Since these are not in operational condition these will have to be developed first.

Air India Cabin crew on Mass Leave

2147. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: DR. BAPU KALDATE:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Air India cabin crew had recently resorted to sick leave tactics;

(b) if so, what is the number of the Air India cabin crew which proceeded on sick leave during the last six months or so starting the Air India routes which were affected as a result thereof; and

(c) what measures have been taken to discourage such tendencies among the cabin crew?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) During the last 6 months instances of cabin crew taking sick leave only a few hours prior to the scheduled departure with a view to disrupt flights, occurred in February, 1995 which resulted in delay of 43 flights and cancellation of 18 flights, all over the network of Air India.

(c) After negotiations with the Air India cabin crew association a joint committee has been set up comprising representatives of the Air India Management and Cabin Crew Assocation to discuss all the issues relating to the cabin crew and to resove them amicably.

विमान दुर्घनाओं से एअर इंडिया और इंडियन एयरलाइन्स को होने वाला आर्थिक नुकसान

2148. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) एअर इंडिया और इंडियन एयरलाइन्स के विमानों को दुर्घनाओं के परिणामस्वरूप वर्ष 1991-92 से 1993-94 तक कितनी राशि मुआवजे के रूप में दी गई और विमानों के नष्ट होने के फलस्वरूप इन्हें कितनी राशि का नुकसान हुआ;

(ख) विमानों को बीमा के कारण कितनी राशि दोनों विमान कंपनियों को प्राप्त हुई तथा अभी कितनी राशि प्राप्त होना शेष है; और

(ग) 31 जुलाई, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार दावा प्राधिकरणों और उपभोक्ता संरक्षण परिषदों के समक्ष विमान दुर्घटनाओं के कारण हुई मौतों, विकलांगताओं, आर्थिक हानियों और यात्रियों को हुई असुविधाओं के कितने मामले लंबित थे?

नागर विमानन और पर्यटन मंत्री (श्री गुलाम नबी आजाद): (क) वर्ष 1991-92 से 1993-94 तक के दौरान एअर इंडिया के विमानों की कोई दुर्घटनाएं नहीं हुई। इंडियन एयरलाइन्स के तीन विमानों के संबंध में जो क्रमश: 16.8.91, 24.4.93 और 15.11.93 को दुर्घनाग्रस्त हो गये थे, अब तक अदा किया गया मुआवजा 524.64 लाख रुपए था।

दोनों एयरलाइनों का विमान बेड़ा पूर्णतया बीमाकृत है। यदि किसी भी विमान को हानि होती है, उसका बीमाकर्ताओं द्वारा पूर्ण मुआवजा दिया जाता है और इस प्रकार के नष्ट होने की स्थिति में एयरलाइन को कोई क्षति नहीं होती है।

(ख) दुर्घटनाग्रस्त तीनों विमानों के संबंध में इंडियन एयरलाइन्स को बीमा कंपनी से बीमा मूल्य की पूरी राशि के रूप में 80 मिलियन अमरीकी डालर प्राप्त हुए हैं।

(ग) अपीलीय प्राधिकारियों और उपभोक्ता संरक्षण परिषद के पास लंबित मामलों के संबंध में ब्यौरे निम्न प्रकार हैं:

कर्नाटक उच्च न्यायालय के सम्मुख	1
दिल्ली उच्च न्यायालय के सम्मुख	1
सिविल जज भिर्जापुर (अहमदाबाद) का न्यायालय	33
जिला अदालत दिल्ली	1
सबोर्डिनेट जज अदालत, मणिपुर	1

Pilferage of liquors and cigarettes by Air India crew

2149. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Managing Director of Air India has accused the Air India crew for pilferage of liquors and cigarettes and is being sold in Bombay;

(b) if so, what is the total loss to Air India and what action has been proposed by Air India to check the pilferage;

(c) whether the Chairman of Air India visited shops where the pilferage stocks of Air India is sold at Flora Fountain in Bombay; and

(d) if so, whether Air India has taken up this matter with the Associations of crew members?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) and (b) While some cases of pilferage of cabin stores items by cabin crew have come to notice, it is not possible to quantify the loss on this account. However, to check possible pilferage of these items, during the recent negotiations with the Management, necessary security check of cabin crew has been accepted by the Cabin Crew Association.

(c) No Sir.

Handing over Hotels in Karnataka to private sector

2150. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the India Tourism Development Corporation is considering the handing over of the Hotels at Hassan in Karnataka to private sector; and

(b) if so, how many such Hotels which are operating under loss are proposed to be transferred?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Presently, there is no proposal under consideration for transferring loss making ITDC hotels to private sector.

Increase in rooms capacity for foreign tourists

2151. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) how many foreign tourists visited India during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95;

(b) what is the total rooms capacity available in the country for foreign tourist in India; and

(c) how many room capacity is proposed to be increased by the year 2000?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The number of foreign tourists who visited India during 1992-93, 1993-94 and 1994-95 is as given below:

Year	Foreign tourist arrivals
1992-93	18,20,239
1993-94	18,71,262
1994-95 (April-Feb.)	17,19,068

(b) As many as 925 approved hotels with 55673 rooms are presently available in the country. About 592 approved hotel projects with about 31,000 rooms are under different stages of implementation.

(c) It is proposed to increase the number of approved hotel rooms to 1.25 lakhs by the end of the century.

Helicopter owned by the Helicopter Corporation of India

2152. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state: